

# FEMA: Week in Review



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## Announcements

### Preliminary Flood Maps in Bossier Parish are Ready for Public View

Homeowners, renters and business owners in Bossier Parish are encouraged to look over newly released preliminary flood maps to determine their flood risks and make informed decisions about how they can protect life and property.

The preliminary updated maps effect parts of Western Bossier Parish. They may be viewed at the local Floodplain Administrator's office, located in the Parish Government Offices. For more information on the flood study and risk information, visit [www.rampp-team.com](http://www.rampp-team.com). To use a live chat service, visit <http://go.usa.gov/r6C>. Click on the "Live Chat" icon. To contact a FEMA Map Specialist, call 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627) or send an email to [FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com](mailto:FEMAMapSpecialist@riskmapcds.com).

### FEMA Public Assistance Program Bottom Up Review

FEMA is conducting a comprehensive, bottom-up review (BUR) and analysis of the existing Public Assistance (PA) program in order to find ways to improve the program and better serve communities affected by disasters. The BUR initiative is a multi-phase process intended to engage stakeholders and consider the greatest variety of public policy options. This review will involve engagement with PA stakeholders at the regional, state, Tribal and local government levels. FEMA believes this important process will ensure that the PA program efficiently and effectively meets the needs of the public and is accountable for the use of federal funds. The results of this analysis will inform decisions regarding the future of the PA program. **To provide comments for consideration as part of the PA BUR effort, please send emails to [FEMA-PA-BUR@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-PA-BUR@dhs.gov).** For more information please visit [www.fema.gov/pabur](http://www.fema.gov/pabur)

### DHS Announces Grant Guidance for FY 2011 Preparedness Grants

Fiscal Year 2011 grant guidance and application kits for 12 Department of Homeland Security (DHS) grant programs is now available. Grants total \$2.1 billion to assist states, urban areas, tribal and territorial governments, non-profit agencies and the private sector in strengthening our nation's ability to prevent, protect, respond to and recover from terrorist attacks, major disasters and other emergencies. Further information on DHS's preparedness grant programs is available at [www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov) and [www.fema.gov/government/grant/nondisaster.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/nondisaster.shtm).

## Events

### Grand Opening for St. Bernard Fire Station No. 8



A grand opening ceremony was held May 24 for St. Bernard Fire Station #8, located on Bayou Rd. After Hurricane Katrina destroyed the original facility, FEMA paid to replace the building on the original site in order to maintain response capability in the same service area. The new facility is 30 percent larger and built to the most current codes

## Emergency Resources

**United Way:** 211  
**Road Closures:** 511  
**Shelters:**  
1-800-REDCROSS  
**Louisiana flooding updates:**  
[emergency.louisiana.gov](http://emergency.louisiana.gov)  
**National Flood Insurance Program:**  
1-866-751-3989

## Preparedness Resources



**Hurricane Preparedness**  
Take steps to protect your family and property now.



**Communication Plan**  
Guidelines for developing a family communication plan.



**Emergency Supply Kit**  
Recommended items to include in an emergency supply kit.



**UNITING COMMUNITIES -  
PREPARING THE NATION**

**Citizen Corp**  
Learn how you can be involved in your community.

